

Personal News and Gossip of the Government Departments

Government Printing Office

HUSTON IN CHARGE OF PROOFREADING

Main Changes Are Made in Positions of Supervisory Force.

A number of important changes have recently been made in the supervisory force of the office. John A. Huston, who has heretofore been an assistant in charge of the Record night proofroom, has been made superintendent of the night proofreading force at a salary of \$2,400 per annum. E. M. Wheat, heretofore in charge of the night force, will act as an assistant to Mr. Huston. Mr. Huston is a native of Bellville, Ohio. He joined the Pittsburg union in 1882, and has since been an active supporter of union principles. After working in a number of the principal cities he located in the State printing office at Indianapolis in 1887, which position he held until he came to Washington in 1898. He is active, capable, and energetic, and his friends predict for him a successful administration of his important position.

A. W. Bowen, for several years foreman of the first division, has been made chief of the recently consolidated hand composing sections, and will have general charge of both night and day forces. David J. Roberts, formerly foreman of the second division, will be assistant chief in immediate charge of the day shift, and James H. Ross will be assistant chief in immediate charge of the night shift. Mr. Bowen receives an increase in salary from \$2,000 to \$2,400 per annum. He has been connected with the office for a number of years, receiving his appointment from Illinois. He is regarded as a very competent administrative officer.

Capt. Thomas Lewis, for many years doorkeeper at the office, under Public Printer Palmer's administration, accompanied by his wife, is visiting Washington friends. Captain and Mrs. Lewis have been to Jamestown for a visit. They are now located at Euclid, Fla., where Captain Lewis owns an orange grove.

Mrs. Lida C. Heinline, who was employed in the sewing room of the bindery previous to the large reduction of the force in the spring, was last week appointed to a position as proofreader in the office of the auditor for the Postoffice Department, by transfer from the Government Printing Office roll.

John Cook, watchman at the old building, was away from the office last week to attend the sessions of the medal of honor men in this city.

Grant Sexton, of the supply division, with his family, has returned from a stay in the country. Mr. Sexton brings back the interesting story that he saw a chestnut tree measuring eight feet in diameter, some of the branches of which measured from twenty-four to thirty-six inches in diameter. This monster of the forest is said to be more than a century old, and is located near Branchville on the Washington and Baltimore boulevard.

Daniel A. Babcock, former lieutenant of the watch, who some time since met with a street car accident, returned to his post last week after a stay of six days at his old home at Haverhill, N. Y. Mr. Babcock shows great improvement in health, and has been warmly welcomed by his many friends.

Three of the oldest employees of the office, Thomas W. Howard, William M. Holman, and the interesting story that he saw a chestnut tree measuring eight feet in diameter, some of the branches of which measured from twenty-four to thirty-six inches in diameter. This monster of the forest is said to be more than a century old, and is located near Branchville on the Washington and Baltimore boulevard.

About seventy-five additional laborers appointed through civil service channels reported for duty Monday and were assigned to the various divisions.

The Civil Service Commission conducts an examination Wednesday for a special class of Government Printing Office employees who took the clerical examination in the spring and failed to get over the mark.

The sewing machine division of the bindery is being moved from the old to the new building, where it will be placed on the fifth floor. In order to expedite the moving, the force of about one hundred employees has been divided into two shifts, one the regular day and the other reporting for duty at 11:30 o'clock p. m. and working until 7:30 o'clock a. m.

Frank L. McInerney, of the first division, is reported seriously ill at his home, on Eleventh street northeast.

Comptroller Tracewell, of the Treasury Department, has decided that the employees of the Government Printing Office are not entitled to pay for the half holidays accruing during leave of absence in the months of July, August, and September. The executive departments and bureaus all allow the half holiday on leave accounts. Thus are the printers made to feel another distinction where no real difference exists.

Mrs. Josephine Simpson, of the first division, started on her annual leave Tuesday, leaving for New York in the evening, where she took passage for Germany. She will probably extend her return to other parts of Europe before her return.

George E. Breitenbach, of the first division, started on a fifteen-day leave of absence Thursday.

Philip S. Steele, of the first division, accompanied by his wife, left Friday with a party of forty for Jamestown, to attend the annual convention of the Missionary Society of the Disciples of Christ.

Mrs. Anna M. Urban and Miss Anna J. Smith, of the bindery, have been granted

ed leaves of absence, beginning tomorrow.

Miss Lillie P. Hayes, of the bindery, has been absent from the office several days owing to the serious illness of a member of the family.

Mrs. Margaret Purcell, of the bindery, has been detained at home for several days at the bedside of her son, who is ill.

Thomas J. Kelly, of the bindery, has been granted leave of absence for seven days.

Miss Mary A. Downey, of the bindery, has returned from a month's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Graves, of Rock Island, Ill., were visitors to the office Wednesday. They have been visiting A. W. Bowen, of the first division, for the past week, and left for the Jamestown Exposition Friday.

Col. Richard M. Calhoun, one of the old guard watchmen at the main entrance to the old building, has been granted leave for one month, which will be spent at his old home in Connecticut.

John L. Kause, of the job proofroom, is on vacation for fifteen days. He will make a trip to Philadelphia.

William Bierley, of the watch force, is spending two weeks at his old home in Baltimore.

Harry C. Frank, brother of Henry Frank, chief storekeeper, accompanied by his wife and daughter, Hilda, have come from their home in Columbus, Ohio, to pay a visit to Mrs. Frank's mother, Mrs. Hilda Randall, at the Astoria apartments.

Miss Anna Crandall, clerk in the editorial division of the office of the superintendent of documents, was on vacation last week.

Miss Annie Hansbrough, clerk in the office of the superintendent of documents, is on a vacation for fifteen days, which she is spending at Atlantic City.

Benjamin H. Swain, of the fourth division, left last week for Windsor, N. C., where he will visit friends for two weeks.

James T. Hanly, messenger in the office of the superintendent of manufacture, has been transferred to the position of assistant doorkeeper, a change that carries with it an increase in salary.

J. S. Murray, of the supply division, was away from the office several days last week owing to the serious illness of his mother-in-law.

John F. Hauer, of the fifth division, is taking leave for two weeks. He will visit his sister in Baltimore, and also attend home-coming week, after which he will visit his old home at Frederick, Md.

Charles C. Koehl, of the fifth division, has resigned his position in the office after a continuous service of about fifteen years.

Howard L. Strawn, paper inspector, has returned from a short stay at the Jamestown Exposition.

George W. Sylvester, of the fourth division, has returned from vacation, having spent about two weeks making visits to Philadelphia, Baltimore, and other points.

Thomas Peter, assistant doorkeeper, made a trip to Boston last week.

Andrew Bergeson, of the bindery, has returned from his vacation.

Edwin R. Waters, of the library division bindery, is spending two weeks at his old home in New York.

Joseph W. Gillespie, of the watch force, has returned from his old home in Ohio, where he spent about three weeks with friends.

Walter H. Terry, of the bindery, was on the sick list last week.

John S. Hamby, of the bindery, is at his old home at Superior, Wis., for a three weeks' visit to relatives and friends.

James A. McPherson, of the pamphlet binding division, is spending two weeks on his farm in Virginia.

Peter Frank, foreman of binding, made a trip to Boston last week. His position was temporarily filled by Foreman Julius Meier. The latter's position was filled by John S. Kistler, and Clarence W. Hogarth moved up to Kistler's position.

Miss Bertha L. Dana, of the bindery, has been absent from office, owing to the illness of her mother.

Wilfred C. Altkenhead, of the pamphlet binding division, has returned from a month's vacation, which he spent in Virginia.

Miss Stella M. Osborne, of the bindery, has returned to office after a week's absence, the time being spent at the bedside of her mother.

William H. Kervin, principal clerk, supply division, has returned from his absence for thirty days, which he will spend at his old home, Livonia, N. Y.

Robert H. Chase, chief stockkeeper, supply division, has returned from his old home at Concord, N. H., where thirty days were spent with relatives and friends. He also visited paper mills in Massachusetts.

James Greenwood, of the fifth division, left Thursday for a trip to Ohio.

Edward J. Handly, of the fifth division, is spending his vacation in Maryland.

Walter J. Lee, of the fifth division, is taking a two weeks' leave, which he

Bureau of Engraving and Printing

MISS COHEN WEDS LOUIS CARROLL

George Martin Is Married to Miss Lulu M. Dement.

Louis Carroll, of section seven of the printing division, and Miss Rose Cohen, were quietly married last Sunday at National Rifles Armory. Immediately after the ceremony the couple left for Boston, Mass., and New York city. On their return they will visit the Jamestown Exposition.

Miss Lulu M. Dement, of the numbering division, was quietly married to George Martin last Thursday. After the ceremony the couple and many of their friends were invited into the dining room, where luncheon was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin left immediately after the luncheon for Niagara Falls, and Toronto, Canada. The bride wore a traveling suit of brown chiffon broadcloth, with hat and gloves to match. Miss Bertha Dement, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. On their return to the city Mr. and Mrs. Martin will reside at 112 Second street southeast.

Arthur Small, who has been connected with the bureau for the last forty years, has been ailing for a week or two, and has been confined to his home in Georgetown. Mr. Small is a charter member of Division No. 2, Ancient Order of Hibernians, as well as of Keane Council, Knights of Columbus.

E. D. Waldron, of the printing division, was installed at the last regular meeting of Plate Printers' Union, Local No. 2, as a member of the organization committee. Mr. Waldron is one of the younger members of the union, and is expected to make a satisfactory officer in his new position.

The following employees of the printing division are among the number who made the trip to Philadelphia last Saturday to qualify for the November election: Dave Fulton, Edward Meehan, A. Perkins Myers, and Archie Gibson.

H. W. Melville, of section two of the printing division, has returned from Philadelphia, where he spent ten days with relatives and friends.

Miss Robert L. Fauntleroy, the accomplished messenger in the printing division, has gone to the Jamestown Exposition and Virginia Beach for a two weeks' vacation.

George Cleary, of section one of the printing division, has returned from a visit to his old home at Philadelphia.

E. R. Finley, of section seven of the printing division, who has been on the sick list for a week past, is improving, the physicians having succeeded in breaking the fever.

Miss Paity A. Hyatt, of section five of the printing division, spent last week at the Jamestown Exposition. She will go

will spend in the country and the suburbs.

Mrs. Roberts, wife of W. A. Roberts, one of the compositors of the office, who has been spending two months with relatives in County Sligo, Ireland, called for New York last week on the Celtic.

Warren C. Wood, of the fifth division, left Thursday for his old home, in New York, where he will spend his vacation.

Wellington F. Simons, of the fifth division, is spending his vacation at the Jamestown Exposition.

William J. Maloney, of the press division, is spending his vacation at his old home, in Boston.

J. Moran, of the press division, left last week for Boston to spend his vacation.

Miss Matilda F. Kooster, of the press division, is on a vacation. She is spending the time at the Jamestown Exposition, and other points in Virginia.

William I. Bateman, of the fifth division, left last week for New York, where he will spend his vacation.

John E. Irvin, of the fifth division, is spending two weeks in Baltimore.

Miss Harriet E. Robinson, of the fifth division, is taking her annual vacation.

Ira E. Cole, J. W. Campbell, J. T. O'Hara, Mrs. Mary A. Proctor, Miss Elizabeth Dement, Miss Mary Hayes, Miss Annie Chapman, Arthur McKenny, George Jackson, and Milton S. Bush,

to Virginia Beach before returning to the office.

Miss Mary E. Neilligan, of the miscellaneous division, is at the Jamestown Exposition. She will visit Old Point Comfort and Ocean View before returning.

Patrick F. Cronin, of section five of the printing division, who has been confined to his home with a broken limb for a number of weeks, is convalescing.

Miss Margaret C. Lacombe, of section five of the printing division, was at the Jamestown Exposition last week.

Miss Margaret C. Miller, of section one of the printing division, resigned her position last week, and accompanied by her sister, left for Liberty, N. Y., where she lives and regains her health.

Miss Miriam E. Townsend, of section six of the printing division, has been promoted to the examining division.

Miss Edith Edmonds, of section one, was visitor at the Jamestown Exposition last week.

Miss Nellie T. Ryan, of the numbering division, has been on a vacation a week.

Miss Emma K. Ryan, of the miscellaneous division, whose father died Monday, will not return to office for a week or ten days.

Miss Viola B. Matlock, of the numbering division, has been transferred to the Treasury Department.

Frank Day, of section two, has returned to duty after being on a vacation for a week.

Miss Louise M. Dangel, of section four of the printing division, was suddenly called to the bedside of her mother last week, who is ill at her home in Ohio.

Miss Mary B. Howell, clerk in section eight, has been promoted to the examining division.

George Collins, assistant chief of the printing division, continues ill at his home, although he is said to be improving.

Joseph E. Johnson, of section five, who has been ill with typhoid fever for several weeks, was rapidly improving at the last report.

Joseph L. Motyka, of the miscellaneous division, was on a vacation last week.

Miss Minnie E. Lydane has been transferred from the miscellaneous division to the numbering division.

Miss Mamie C. Beehy, of the miscellaneous division, has been transferred to the Treasury Department.

Mrs. Margaret A. Reynolds, messenger in section five, is spending a week in Baltimore with relatives and friends.

Miss Pauline Smith, of the printing division, has been transferred to the Treasury Department.

Mrs. Katherine F. Lane and Miss Annie A. Muddiman have been transferred to the Treasury Department.

were among those going on vacations from the press division last week.

Jacob C. Morgan, of the fifth division, has returned from a vacation trip to Ohio.

Charles N. Warren, of the fifth division, has returned from his vacation, which he spent at the Jamestown Exposition.

George W. Stull, of the main proof division, has returned from an extended visit at his old home in Ohio.

ENDOWED MOLLYCODDLING.

The unconscious tendency of things toward fitness is illustrated by the fact that the Philadelphia woman who has left \$100,000 to Swarthmore college on condition that it give up intercollegiate sport was a spinster.

When the full facts concerning the life of the estimable lady are brought out it will doubtless appear that she kept a large and prosperous cat, was in daily dread of mice, was possessed of an old-fashioned warming pan, and slept in woolen nightclothes, was temperate in all things except in the consumption of tea, and in her girlish days was rescued by rough and turbulent boys. The will, it may be assumed, is an expression of temperment rather than a conclusion arrived at after weighing arguments.

The class in ethics has a new problem for discussion. What is the duty of Swarthmore in the premises? Is preferred money permitted with an ineradicable taint? Which is better—a financial ease by acceptance of a mollycoddle endowment or continued collegiate poverty coupled with freedom from play football?

Which way the Swarthmore trustees will answer is foreshadowed—the money may go elsewhere. Swarthmore is not particularly eminent on the gridiron, and her trustees, largely Quakers, have doubtless already considered the desirability of withdrawal from the athletic field.

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District Building

TEAM WILL PLAY LEAGUE WINNER

Baseball Game Arranged by Practical Joker Promises Sport.

The practical joker has been busy in the District building during the week getting together a baseball team of veterans of the District government to play a championship game with the winning team of the District Baseball League. In all probability the joke will see them play a game of ball that will bring out every employee of the District government.

The line-up of the nine, as announced, is composed of E. W. Griffin, assessor, shortstop; Dr. Tinkell, secretary to the Board of Commissioners, pitcher; Collector of Taxes Davis, first base; Colonel Haskell, sealer of weights and measures, catcher; Colonel Brown, of the street sweeping department, third base; E. E. Helm, of the record division, engineer department, left field; Colonel Bishop, center field; Chief Belt, second base, and Sergeant Dailey, of the disbursing office, right field.

Several of the gentlemen on the proposed nine when seen by The Times representative said they would be glad to enter in a contest in the national game. Commissioner Macfarland will be asked to umpire.

Dr. Woodward Is Busy Preparing Report to the Commissioners

Dr. William C. Woodward, health officer, is busily engaged in making up his annual report. As soon as he finishes that work he will start on a short vacation. It was his intention to have started on his vacation last week, immediately after the close of the medical society meeting at Atlantic City, which he attended as the official representative of the District, but his report was not sufficiently advanced to permit him to do so.

Secretary Wilson, of the Board of Charities, says the annual estimates of the board will be ready to submit to the Commissioners the first of this week. The amount necessary to run this department of the District government is one of the largest items in the annual budget.

The non-arrival of the annual estimates of the Board of Education is delaying the work of the Commissioners in completing their work in this direction. It was expected that these estimates would be in the hands of the Commissioners some time before this.

The Commissioners took a lively interest in the work of the local Washington department at the exhibition drill given for the benefit of the visiting fire chiefs attending the thirty-fifth annual convention of the International Association of Fire Engineers in session in the city the past week.

Capt. W. F. Meyers, chief clerk of the executive office, is the best bowler in the District team of the Departmental Amateur Bowling League. His general average in nine games played is 197. In the last two games he rolled these scores: 175, 194, 234. For this score he was awarded the prize of \$5.

C. T. Shoemaker, bookkeeper of the Engineer Department, with his family, is on leave. He is in the rural districts of Maryland.

W. M. Barton, inspector of the engineer department, is visiting his old home in Fredericksburg, Va.

E. R. Greer, of the record office, engineer department, back from his annual leave of absence.

Disbursing Officer Rogers has taken to golf, frequently going out to the links for a game late in the afternoon. He is a baseball enthusiast, a football follower, and never misses a game when his business will permit.

Peter Lesh, of the Assessor's office, is on a leave of absence, attending the annual session of the Dutch Reform Church, of which he is a member.

David M. Cridler, of the Assessor's office, is just back from the Jamestown Exposition, where he spent ten days.

Mrs. H. R. Hall, of the Assessor's office, is back from her trip to Atlantic City. She remembered her friends in the office by bringing back with her a box of salt water taffy, for which the City-by-the-Sea is famous. It was liberally distributed among the office force and was duly enjoyed.

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Treasury

SERVED 54 YEARS; RESIGNS POSITION

Thomas J. Hobbs Has Been Disbursing Officer for Over Forty Years.

The resignation of Thomas J. Hobbs, one of the disbursing officers of the Treasury Department, which will become effective the first of next month, retires probably the oldest employee in point of continuous service known.

There are few, if any, who have served without an intermission as long a period as has the retiring disbursing officer. For forty-two years, out of the fifty-four he has served, Mr. Hobbs has had charge of the disbursements of funds amounting to the grand total of \$200,000,000 without the loss of a cent.

He was appointed from the District of Columbia to the Treasury Department, and is well known and popular in this city, especially with employees in the Government service.

It is stated that his successor has been selected, but no official announcement has yet been made at the department.

Notes and Personal.

Chief Clerk Ludlow left last week on an official trip to Rochester and other places in New York State. Upon the completion of his duties he will take a short vacation at his birthplace and boyhood home, Penn Yan, N. Y., returning to this city between October 15 and 20.

James B. Belt, deputy auditor for the Interior Department, is on a vacation, which he is spending in visiting points in his home State, Maryland. He will return to his office some time next month.

Hugh Hollis, stenographer to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue and one of the most popular employees of that bureau, is again on duty after a vacation of ten days.

Miss Fannie Sillers, of the National Bank Redemption Agency, Treasurer's office, in company with her mother, has returned from a trip to the Jamestown Exposition.

W. E. Thompson, formerly of the Philippine service at Manila, has secured a transfer to the Treasury Department, and has been assigned to duty in the office of the auditor for Interior Department.

Thomas W. O'Brien, of the Treasurer's office, has returned from an extended trip through the British Isles.

Harry Giovannoli, chief clerk, Internal Revenue Bureau, has resumed his duties after a vacation of a couple of weeks.